

## AN AMENDED RESOLUTION BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

04-R-0154

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO OPPOSE THE MARKETING OF WATER RIGHTS OR WATER WITHDRAWAL PERMITS, AND REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FULLY FUND A COMPREHENSIVE, SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF GEORGIA'S WATER RESOURCES AND FUTURE NEEDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia faces increased pressure on its surface and ground water resources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta believes that the surface and ground waters of the state should continue to be a public resource managed in the public interest and in a sustainable manner by the State to protect natural systems and to meet human and economic needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta believes that water management must be guided by a comprehensive state water management plan, developed by a lead agency in coordination with other agencies and with the participation of all interested citizens; and

WHEREAS, such a plan should retain and be based on Georgia's existing regulated riparian system of water management, which does not support the marketing of water rights or water withdrawal permits; and

WHEREAS, development of such a plan first requires a comprehensive, well-funded, scientific study and examination of Georgia's water resources and future needs; and

WHEREAS, effective water management requires regional water planning, based on watersheds, river basins and aquifers, that is tied to implementation, including a comprehensive management process; and

WHEREAS, regulation of interbasin transfers must be strengthened to reflect scientific knowledge, respect natural systems, and protect the basins of origin and receipt; and

WHEREAS, it is not in the best interests of the citizens of Georgia for public water systems to have to purchase water withdrawal rights from private entities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the City of Atlanta supports and adopts the principles outlined above.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the City of Atlanta opposes the marketing of water rights or water withdrawal permits, otherwise known as "permit trading".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the City of Atlanta calls on the Governor and the Georgia General Assembly to fully fund a comprehensive, scientific study of Georgia's water resources and future needs.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and all members of the 2004 Georgia General Assembly.

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Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED as amended by the Council RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

FEB 02, 2004

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## Atlanta City Council

## Regular Session

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